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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(To Prospectus dated July 31, 2006)

16,000,000 Shares

Public Storage, Inc.

Depository Shares Each Representing 1/1,000 of a Share of

7.25% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series K

Liquidation Preference Equivalent to \$25.00 Per Depository Share

We are selling 16,000,000 depository shares each representing 1/1,000 of a share of our 7.25% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series K. The shares of Preferred Stock represented by the depository shares will be deposited with Computershare Trust Company, N. A., as depository. As a holder of depository shares, you will be entitled to all proportional rights, preferences and privileges of the Preferred Stock. We have granted the underwriters an option to purchase up to 2,400,000 additional depository shares to cover over-allotments. The following is a summary of the Preferred Stock:

We will pay cumulative distributions on the Preferred Stock, from the date of original issuance, at the rate of 7.25% of the liquidation preference per year (\$1.8125 per year per depository share).

We will pay distributions on the Preferred Stock quarterly, beginning on September 30, 2006 (with the payment on that date being based pro rata on the number of days from the original issuance of the Preferred Stock).

We are not allowed to redeem the Preferred Stock before August 8, 2011, except in order to preserve our status as a real estate investment trust.

On and after August 8, 2011, we may, at our option, redeem the Preferred Stock by paying you \$25.00 per depository share, plus any accrued and unpaid distributions.

The Preferred Stock has no stated maturity and is not subject to any sinking fund or mandatory redemption and is not convertible into any other securities.

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Investors in the depositary shares representing interests in the Preferred Stock generally have no voting rights, except if we fail to pay distributions for six or more quarters or as required by law.

We intend to apply to have the depositary shares listed on the New York Stock Exchange (the NYSE) under the symbol PSAPrK. If this application is approved, trading of the depositary shares on the NYSE is expected to begin within 30 days following initial delivery of the depositary shares.

Investing in the depositary shares involves risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page S-5 of this prospectus supplement.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The information in this preliminary prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus is not complete and may be changed. This preliminary prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and are not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

	<u>Per Share</u>	<u>Total</u>
Public Offering Price	\$ 25.00	\$ 400,000,000.00
Underwriting Discount	\$ 0.7292	\$ 11,667,709.38(1)
Proceeds to Public Storage (before expenses)	\$ 24.2708	\$ 388,332,290.62

(1) See Underwriting section beginning on page S-21 of this prospectus supplement for a discussion regarding certain additional underwriting compensation and discounts.

The underwriters are offering the depositary shares subject to various conditions. The underwriters expect to deliver the depositary shares to purchasers on or about August 8, 2006.

Joint Book-Running Managers

Citigroup

Merrill Lynch & Co.

Morgan Stanley

Wachovia Securities

UBS Investment Bank

Goldman, Sachs & Co.

RBC Capital Markets

Wells Fargo Securities

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You should rely only on the information contained in or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. We are not making an offer of these securities in any state where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of this prospectus supplement.

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This Prospectus Supplement and the accompanying Prospectus, including documents incorporated by reference, contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements are inherently subject to risk and uncertainties, many of which cannot be predicted with accuracy and some of which might not even be anticipated. Future events and actual results, financial and otherwise, may differ materially from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause such a difference include, but are not limited to, those discussed in Risk Factors in this Prospectus Supplement and in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in our most recent annual and quarterly reports.

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We are a fully integrated, self-administered and self-managed real estate investment trust that acquires, develops, owns and operates self-storage facilities which offer self-storage spaces for lease for personal and business use. We are the largest owner and operator of self-storage facilities in the United States with equity interests (through direct ownership, as well as general and limited partnership interests), as of March 31, 2006, in 1,508 storage facilities located in 37 states. We also have a significant ownership in PS Business Parks, Inc., a REIT that, as of March 31, 2006, had equity interests in approximately 17.9 million net rentable square feet of commercial space located in 8 states.

The following table reflects the geographic diversification of our storage facilities:

	At March 31, 2006	
	Number of Facilities	Net Rentable Square Feet (in thousands)
California:		
Southern	172	11,256
Northern	142	7,910
Texas	170	11,305
Florida	157	9,820
Illinois	100	6,344
Georgia	71	4,477
Colorado	50	3,208
New York	49	3,006
New Jersey	48	2,974
Washington	42	2,698
Maryland	44	2,642
Virginia	42	2,624
Missouri	38	2,144
Ohio	30	1,860
Minnesota	25	1,578
Pennsylvania	21	1,418
Nevada	22	1,404
Tennessee	23	1,321
North Carolina	25	1,311
Kansas	22	1,310
Massachusetts	19	1,180
Oregon	24	1,122
South Carolina	25	1,083
Wisconsin	16	1,031
Indiana	18	1,029
Other states (13 states)	113	6,153
Totals	1,508	92,208

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PENDING SHURGARD MERGER

On March 6, 2006, we entered into an agreement to acquire Shurgard Storage Centers, Inc. (NYSE: SHU) through the merger of Shurgard into our indirect subsidiary. Shurgard is a real estate investment trust that, as of March 31, 2006, operated 656 self-storage facilities in the United States and Europe. If the Shurgard merger is consummated, pursuant to the merger agreement, we will issue approximately 41 million shares of common stock in exchange for outstanding Shurgard common stock and upon exercise of Shurgard employee stock options and assume Shurgard's debt of approximately \$1.9 billion at March 31, 2006. In addition, approximately \$136 million of Shurgard preferred stock will be redeemed. The transaction is subject to customary closing conditions and regulatory approvals and is targeted to close during the third quarter of 2006. For additional information concerning the acquisition of Shurgard, see (1) Risk Factors beginning on page S-5 of this prospectus supplement, (2) our current report on Form 8-K dated March 7, 2006, (3) our current report on Form 8-K dated July 31, 2006 (the Pro Forma 8-K) and (4) our joint proxy statement/prospectus dated July 24, 2006 (the Proxy Statement). In connection with the Shurgard merger, we filed a registration statement on Form S-4 that was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 24, 2006.

None of Shurgard's public information is incorporated by reference herein and neither we nor the underwriters make any representations with respect to, or assume any responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of Shurgard's information contained in the Pro Forma 8-K, the Proxy Statement or any filings by Shurgard with the SEC. Subject to the foregoing cautionary statements, investors are urged to review Shurgard's public filings and the pro forma financial information included in the Pro Forma 8-K or the Proxy Statement and to consider, in any event, the potential impact of the Shurgard merger and the other related transactions described in this prospectus supplement, whether or not consummated.

OTHER RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Since March 31, 2006, we have acquired a total of six existing self-storage facilities (or interests in entities owning facilities) in five states with an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$53 million.

In May 2006, we issued 20,700,000 depository shares representing interests in our 7.25% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series I, with an aggregate liquidation preference of \$517,500,000.

Also, in May 2006, our affiliate, PSA Institutional Partners, L.P., issued 4,000,000 7.25% Series J Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Units for gross proceeds of \$100 million. Under certain circumstances, the preferred units may be exchanged for depository shares representing interests in our 7.25% Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, Series J.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate net proceeds from this offering of approximately \$388,132,291, after all anticipated issuance costs (approximately \$446,242,291 if the underwriters' over-allotment option is exercised in full). We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering to redeem preferred securities, to make investments in self-storage facilities and in entities that own self-storage facilities and for other general corporate purposes.

Pending application of the net proceeds as described above, the net proceeds of this offering will be deposited in interest bearing accounts or invested in certificates of deposit, United States government obligations or other short-term, high-quality debt instruments selected at our discretion.

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RISK FACTORS

Before investing in our securities, you should consider the following risks and detriments:

This offering is not conditioned on the completion of the Shurgard merger or the related transactions described in our public filings.

This offering is not conditioned on completion of the Shurgard merger or any of the related transactions described in our public filings. Accordingly, by purchasing the Depositary Shares, you are investing in Public Storage on a stand alone basis and recognize that we may not realize the expected benefits of the Shurgard merger or the related transactions. If we do not complete the Shurgard merger or the related transactions, it could adversely affect the value of the Depositary Shares. We cannot assure you that the Shurgard merger or any of the related transactions will be consummated on the terms described or at all. The completion of the Shurgard merger and the related transactions is subject to the satisfaction of customary conditions to closing, including the receipt of required approvals of the shareholders of Shurgard and Public Storage. However, the parties could agree to modify certain terms or waive certain closing conditions contained in the merger agreement, any of which modifications or waivers could be significant to your interests as a Depositary Shares holder, and proceed with the Shurgard merger on that basis. In addition, Shurgard may under limited circumstances terminate the merger agreement to take a superior proposal.

Public Storage shareholders will incur immediate dilution if the Shurgard merger is completed.

Public Storage shareholders will incur immediate dilution in connection with the merger. During 2005, Public Storage shareholders would incur a loss of \$0.44 per share (diluted) on a pro-forma basis compared to earnings of \$1.92 per share (diluted) on a historical basis primarily as a result of an increase in depreciation and amortization expense. No adjustments have been made to the pro-forma financial information to reflect certain expected self-storage operating cost savings or increases in property taxes resulting from the merger because they have not been quantified.

If the Shurgard merger is completed it may subject us to additional risks.

Completion of the Shurgard merger transaction is not assured and is subject to risks, including that shareholders of either Public Storage or Shurgard do not approve the transaction or that the other closing conditions are not satisfied. In addition, Shurgard may under limited circumstances terminate the agreement to take a superior proposal. Public Storage and Shurgard are not aware of any significant governmental approvals that are required for consummation of the merger. If any approval or action is required, it is presently contemplated that Public Storage and Shurgard would use their reasonable best efforts to obtain such approval. There can be no assurance that any approvals, if required, will be obtained.

In addition to the general risks related to real estate described below which may also adversely impact Shurgard's operations, we are also subject to the following risks in connection with the Shurgard merger and integrating Shurgard into our operations, including without limitation the following:

difficulties in the integration of operations, technologies and personnel of Shurgard;

inability to realize or delays in realizing expected synergies;

unanticipated operating costs;

diversion of our management's attention away from other business concerns;

exposure to any undisclosed or unknown potential liabilities of Shurgard;

potential underinsured losses on Shurgard properties; and

risk of failure to mitigate any Shurgard weaknesses in internal control to the extent that it affects our internal controls.

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The success of the merger will depend, in part, on our ability to realize the anticipated cost savings from combining the businesses of Public Storage and Shurgard. However, to realize the anticipated benefits from the merger, we must successfully combine the businesses of Public Storage and Shurgard in a manner that permits those cost savings to be realized. If we are not able to successfully achieve these objectives, the anticipated benefits of the merger may not be realized fully or at all or may take longer or cost more to realize than expected. Public Storage and Shurgard have operated and, until the completion of the merger, will continue to operate, independently. It is possible that the integration process could result in the loss of valuable employees, the disruption of each company's ongoing businesses or inconsistencies in standards, controls, procedures, practices, policies and compensation arrangements that adversely affect our ability to maintain relationships with tenants and employees or to achieve the anticipated benefits of the merger. Further, the size of the transaction may make integration of Public Storage and Shurgard difficult, expensive and disruptive, adversely affecting the combined company's revenues and earnings, and implementation of merger integration efforts may divert management's attention from other strategic priorities. In addition, the merger has been structured so that it should be a taxable transaction for U.S. Federal income tax purposes. As a result, the combined company should have the benefit of a step-up in tax basis in Shurgard's assets. It is possible that the IRS may challenge the step-up in basis. If such challenge were sustained, we would not achieve this benefit, which would reduce our depreciation deductions and our ability to retain cash flow.

Shurgard also holds many of its properties through joint ventures, which have additional risks, including risks related to the financial strength, common business goals and strategies and cooperation of the venture partner, as well as the inability to take some actions that may require approval by the venture partner. In addition, Shurgard holds substantially all of its real estate investments in Europe indirectly through partnerships and joint venture arrangements. If we are unable to effectively control these indirect investments, there is a risk that our ownership of the joint ventures could cause us to lose our REIT status.

As a share of total operations, particularly in Europe, Shurgard has more recently developed properties whose occupancies have not stabilized and has more construction activity than Public Storage. Delays in construction and fill-up could result in additional cost.

We have assumed based on public filings that Shurgard has qualified and will continue to qualify as a real estate investment trust for United States federal income tax purposes, referred to hereinafter as a REIT and that we would be able to continue to qualify as a REIT following the Shurgard merger. However, if Shurgard has failed or fails to qualify as a REIT, we generally would succeed to or incur significant tax liabilities (including the significant tax liability that would result from the deemed sale of assets by Shurgard pursuant to the merger) and we possibly lose our REIT status should disqualifying activities continue after the Shurgard merger.

Shurgard has a significantly greater level of debt than we do with more fixed and floating-rate debt as well as derivative instruments that we would assume. Shurgard's outstanding borrowings on its lines of credit (approximately \$621 million at March 31 2006) would become payable immediately upon completion of the Shurgard merger. In addition, there would be an estimated \$90 million in cash costs related to the Shurgard merger, cash requirements for the redemption of approximately \$136 million of Shurgard's preferred stock on the merger date, and additional possible cash requirements following the Shurgard merger. We may look to obtain a larger line of credit, bridge financing, or issue additional preferred or common equity to provide liquidity as Shurgard's other borrowings come due. As a result, this transaction would result in a significant increase in our exposure to interest rate and refinancing risks.

We would also be acquiring Shurgard's international operations in Europe, which consist principally of facilities that have been completed in the last few years and are in various stages of fill-up. Shurgard's international operations have not been profitable, and there is no assurance they will ultimately be profitable. Also, Shurgard has a number of non-stabilized properties and construction activity, and delays in construction and fill-up could result in additional costs. We have no experience in European operations, which may adversely impact our ability to operate profitably in Europe. In addition, these operations have specific inherent risks, including without limitation the following:

currency risks, including currency fluctuations;

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unexpected changes in legislative and regulatory requirements;

potentially adverse tax burdens;

burdens of complying with different permitting standards, environmental and labor laws and a wide variety of foreign laws;

obstacles to the repatriation of earnings and cash;

regional, national and local political uncertainty;

economic slowdown and/or downturn in foreign markets;

difficulties in staffing and managing international operations;

reduced protection for intellectual property in some countries; and

inability to effectively control less than wholly owned partnerships and joint ventures.

The Hughes family could control us and take actions adverse to other shareholders.

At July 24, 2006, B. Wayne Hughes, Chairman of the Board and his family (the Hughes family) owned approximately 36% of our outstanding shares of common stock. Consequently, the Hughes family could control matters submitted to a vote of our shareholders, including electing directors, amending our organizational documents, dissolving and approving other extraordinary transactions, such as a takeover attempt, even though such actions may not be favorable to the other common shareholders.

Provisions in our organizational documents may prevent changes in control.

Restrictions in our organizational documents may further limit changes in control. Unless our Board of Directors waives these limitations, no shareholder may own more than (1) 2.0% of our outstanding shares of our common stock or (2) 9.9% of the outstanding shares of each class or series of our preferred or equity stock. Our organizational documents in effect provide, however, that the Hughes family may continue to own the shares of our common stock held by them at the time of the 1995 reorganization. If the merger with Shurgard is completed, our Board has authorized the Hughes family to acquire additional shares of our common stock to maintain their premerger holding percentage. These limitations are designed, to the extent possible, to avoid a concentration of ownership that might jeopardize our ability to qualify as a real estate investment trust or REIT. These limitations, however, also may make a change of control significantly more difficult (if not impossible) even if it would be favorable to the interests of our public shareholders. These provisions will prevent future takeover attempts not approved by our board of directors even if a majority of our public shareholders deem it to be in their best interests because they would receive a premium for their shares over the shares then market value or for other reasons.

We would incur adverse tax consequences if we or Shurgard failed to qualify as a REIT.

We have assumed based on public filings that Shurgard has qualified and will continue to qualify as a real estate investment trust for United States federal income tax purposes, referred to hereinafter as a REIT and that we would be able to continue to qualify as a REIT following the Shurgard merger. However, if Shurgard has failed or fails to qualify as a REIT, we generally would succeed to or incur significant tax liabilities (including the significant tax liability that would result from the deemed sale of assets by Shurgard pursuant to the merger) and we possibly lose our REIT status should disqualifying activities continue after the Shurgard merger.

You will be subject to the risk that we may not qualify as a REIT. REITs are subject to a range of complex organizational and operational requirements. As a REIT, we must distribute with respect to each year at least 90% of our REIT taxable income to our shareholders. Other restrictions apply to our income and assets. Our REIT status is also dependent upon the ongoing qualification of our affiliate, PS Business Parks, Inc., as a REIT, as a result of our substantial ownership interest in that company.

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For any taxable year that we fail to qualify as a REIT and are unable to avail ourselves of certain savings provisions set forth in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, we would be subject to federal income tax at the regular corporate rates on all of our taxable income, whether or not we make any distributions to our shareholders. Those taxes would reduce the amount of cash available for distribution to our shareholders or for reinvestment and would adversely affect our earnings. As a result, our failure to qualify as a REIT during any taxable year could have a material adverse effect upon us and our shareholders. Furthermore, unless certain relief provisions apply, we would not be eligible to elect REIT status again until the fifth taxable year that begins after the first year for which we fail to qualify.

We may pay some taxes, reducing cash available for shareholders.

Even if we qualify as a REIT for federal income tax purposes, we are required to pay some federal, state and local taxes on our income and property. Several corporate subsidiaries of the Company have elected to be treated as taxable REIT subsidiaries of the Company for federal income tax purposes since January 1, 2001. A taxable REIT subsidiary is taxable as a regular corporation and is limited in its ability to deduct interest payments made to us in excess of a certain amount. In addition, if we receive certain payments and the economic arrangements among our taxable REIT subsidiaries and us are not comparable to similar arrangements among unrelated parties we will be subject to a 100% penalty tax on those payments. To the extent that the Company or any taxable REIT subsidiary is required to pay federal, state or local taxes, we will have less cash available for distribution to shareholders.

We have become increasingly dependent upon automated processes and the Internet and are faced with security system risks.

We have become increasingly centralized and dependent upon automated information technology processes. As a result, we could be severely impacted by a catastrophic occurrence, such as a natural disaster or a terrorist attack. In addition, a portion of our business operations are conducted over the Internet, increasing the risk of viruses that could cause system failures and disruptions of operations. Experienced computer programmers may be able to penetrate our network security and misappropriate our confidential information, create system disruptions or cause shutdowns.

We and our shareholders are subject to financing risks.

Debt increases the risk of loss. In making real estate investments, we may borrow money, which increases the risk of loss. At March 31, 2006, our debt of \$142 million was 2.6% of our total assets.

Certain securities have a liquidation preference over our common stock and equity stock, Series A. If we liquidated, holders of our preferred securities would be entitled to receive liquidating distributions, plus any accrued and unpaid distributions, before any distribution of assets to the holders of our common stock and equity stock, series A. Holders of preferred securities are entitled to receive, when declared by our board of directors, cash distributions in preference to holders of our common stock and equity stock, Series A.

Since our business consists primarily of acquiring and operating real estate, we are subject to real estate operating risks.

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The value of our investments may be reduced by general risks of real estate ownership. Since we derive substantially all of our income from real estate operations, we are subject to the general risks of owning real estate-related assets, including:

lack of demand for rental spaces or units in a locale;

changes in general economic or local conditions;

natural disasters, such as earthquakes;

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potential terrorist attacks;

changes in supply of or demand for similar or competing facilities in an area;

the impact of environmental protection laws;

changes in interest rates and availability of permanent mortgage funds which may render the sale or financing of a property difficult or unattractive;

changes in tax, real estate and zoning laws; and

tenant claims.

In addition, we self-insure certain of our property loss, liability, and workers compensation risks for which other real estate companies may use third-party insurers. This results in a higher risk of losses that are not covered by third-party insurance contracts, as described in Note 14 under Insurance and Loss Exposure to our consolidated financial statements included in our annual report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2006.

There is significant competition among self-storage facilities and from other storage alternatives. Most of our properties are self-storage facilities, which generated most of our revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2006. Local market conditions will play a significant part in how competition will affect us. Competition in the market areas in which many of our properties are located from other self-storage facilities and other storage alternatives is significant and has affected the occupancy levels, rental rates and operating expenses of some of our properties. Any increase in availability of funds for investment in real estate may accelerate competition. Further development of self-storage facilities may intensify competition among operators of self-storage facilities in the market areas in which we operate.

We may incur significant environmental costs and liabilities. As an owner and operator of real properties, under various federal, state and local environmental laws, we are required to clean up spills or other releases of hazardous or toxic substances on or from our properties. Certain environmental laws impose liability whether or not the owner knew of, or was responsible for, the presence of the hazardous or toxic substances. In some cases, liability may not be limited to the value of the property. The presence of these substances, or the failure to properly remediate any resulting contamination, whether from environmental or microbial issues, also may adversely affect the owner's or operator's ability to sell, lease or operate its property or to borrow using its property as collateral.

We have conducted preliminary environmental assessments of most of our properties (and intend to conduct these assessments in connection with property acquisitions) to evaluate the environmental condition of, and potential environmental liabilities associated with, our properties. These assessments generally consist of an investigation of environmental conditions at the property (not including soil or groundwater sampling or analysis), as well as a review of available information regarding the site and publicly available data regarding conditions at other sites in the vicinity. In connection with these property assessments, our operations and recent property acquisitions, we have become aware that prior operations or activities at some facilities or from nearby locations have or may have resulted in contamination to the soil or groundwater at these facilities. In this regard, some of our facilities are or may be the subject of federal or state environment investigations or remedial actions. We have obtained, with respect to recent acquisitions, and intend to obtain with respect to pending or future acquisitions, appropriate purchase price adjustments or indemnifications that we believe are sufficient to cover any related potential liability. Although we cannot provide any assurance, based on the preliminary environmental assessments, we believe we have funds available to cover any liability from environmental contamination or potential contamination and we are not aware of any environmental contamination of our facilities material to our overall business, financial condition or results of operation.

There has been an increasing number of claims and litigation against owners and managers of rental properties relating to moisture infiltration, which can result in mold or other property damage. When we receive a complaint concerning moisture infiltration, condensation or mold problems and/or become aware that an air

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quality concern exists, we implement corrective measures in accordance with guidelines and protocols we have developed with the assistance of outside experts. We seek to work proactively with our tenants to resolve moisture infiltration and mold-related issues, subject to our contractual limitations on liability for such claims. However, we can make no assurance that material legal claims relating to moisture infiltration and the presence of, or exposure to, mold will not arise in the future.

Delays in development and fill-up of our properties would reduce our profitability. Since January 1, 2002, we have opened 42 newly developed self-storage facilities and 17 facilities that combine self-storage and containerized storage space at the same location, with aggregate development costs of approximately \$501 million. In addition, at March 31, 2006 we had 54 projects in development that are expected to be completed in approximately the next two years. These 54 projects have total estimated costs of \$299 million. Construction delays due to weather, unforeseen site conditions, personnel problems, and other factors, as well as cost overruns, would adversely affect our profitability. Delays in the rent-up of newly developed facilities as a result of competition or other factors would also adversely impact our profitability.

Property taxes can increase and cause a decline in yields on investments. Each of our properties is subject to real property taxes. These real property taxes may increase in the future as property tax rates change and as our properties are assessed or reassessed by tax authorities. Such increases could adversely impact our profitability.

We must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and fire and safety regulations, which can require significant expenditures. All our properties must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and with related regulations (the ADA). The ADA has separate compliance requirements for public accommodations and commercial facilities, but generally requires that buildings be made accessible to persons with disabilities. Various state laws impose similar requirements. A failure to comply with the ADA or similar state laws could result in government imposed fines on us and could award damages to individuals affected by the failure. In addition, we must operate our properties in compliance with numerous local fire and safety regulations, building codes, and other land use regulations. Compliance with these requirements can require us to spend substantial amounts of money, which would reduce cash otherwise available for distribution to shareholders. Failure to comply with these requirements could also affect the marketability of our real estate facilities.

Any failure by us to manage acquisitions and other significant transactions successfully could negatively impact our financial results. As an increasing part of our business, we acquire other self-storage facilities. We also evaluate from time to time other significant transactions. If these facilities are not properly integrated into our system, our financial results may suffer.

We incur liability from employment related claims. From time to time we must resolve employment related claims by corporate level and field personnel.

We have no interest in Canadian self-storage facilities owned by the Hughes family.

The Hughes Family has ownership interests in, and operate, approximately 44 self-storage facilities in Canada under the name Public Storage. We currently do not own any interests in these facilities nor do we own any facilities in Canada. We have a right of first refusal to acquire the stock or assets of the corporation engaged in the operation of the self-storage facilities in Canada if the Hughes family or the corporation agrees to sell them. However, we have no ownership interest in the operations of this corporation, have no right to acquire their stock or assets unless the Hughes family decides to sell, and receive no benefit from the profits and increases in value of the Canadian self-storage facilities.

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Prior to December 31, 2003, Company personnel were engaged in the supervision and the operation of these properties and provided certain administrative services for the Canadian owners, and certain other services, primarily tax services, with respect to certain other Hughes Family interests. The Hughes Family and the Canadian owners reimbursed us at cost for these services in the amount of \$542,499 with respect to the Canadian

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operations and \$151,063 for other services during 2003 (in United States dollars). There were conflicts of interest in allocating time of our personnel between Company properties, the Canadian properties, and certain other Hughes Family interests. The sharing of Company personnel with the Canadian entities was substantially eliminated by December 31, 2003.

Through our subsidiaries, we continue to reinsure risks relating to loss of goods stored by tenants in the self-storage facilities in Canada. We acquired the tenant insurance business on December 31, 2001 through our acquisition of PSIC. During the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003, PSIC received \$1,052,000, \$1,069,000, and \$1,017,000, respectively, and \$259,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2006 in reinsurance premiums attributable to the Canadian Facilities. Since PSIC's right to provide tenant reinsurance to the Canadian Facilities may be qualified, there is no assurance that these premiums will continue.

Our containerized storage business has incurred operating losses.

Public Storage Pickup & Delivery (PSPUD) was organized in 1996 to operate a containerized storage business. We own all of the economic interest of PSPUD. Since PSPUD will operate profitably only if it can succeed in the relatively new field of containerized storage, we cannot provide any assurance as to its profitability. PSPUD incurred an operating loss of \$10,058,000 in 2002, and generated operating profits of \$2,543,000 in 2003, \$684,000 in 2004, \$1,818,000 for 2005 and \$360,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2006. Since 2002, PSPUD closed or consolidated facilities that were deemed not strategic to its business plan, and had 12 facilities open at December 31, 2005.

Increases in interest rates may adversely affect the price of our common stock.

One of the factors that influences the market price of our common stock and our other securities is the annual rate of distributions that we pay on the securities, as compared with interest rates. An increase in interest rates may lead purchasers of REIT shares to demand higher annual distribution rates, which could adversely affect the market price of our common stock and other securities.

Terrorist attacks and the possibility of wider armed conflict may have an adverse impact on our business and operating results and could decrease the value of our assets.

Terrorist attacks and other acts of violence or war, such as those that took place on September 11, 2001, could have a material adverse impact on our business and operating results. There can be no assurance that there will not be further terrorist attacks against the United States or its businesses or interests. Attacks or armed conflicts that directly impact one or more of our properties could significantly affect our ability to operate those properties and thereby impair our operating results. Further, we may not have insurance coverage for losses caused by a terrorist attack. Such insurance may not be available, or if it is available and we decide to obtain such terrorist coverage, the cost for the insurance may be significant in relationship to the risk overall. In addition, the adverse effects that such violent acts and threats of future attacks could have on the United States economy could similarly have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations. Finally, further terrorist acts could cause the United States to enter into a wider armed conflict, which could further impact our business and operating results.

Developments in California may have an adverse impact on our business.

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We are headquartered in, and approximately one-quarter of our properties are located in, California. California is facing budgetary problems. Action that may be taken in response to these problems, such as an increase in property taxes on commercial properties, could adversely impact our business and results of operations. In addition, we could be adversely impacted by efforts to reenact legislation mandating medical insurance for employees of California businesses and members of their families.

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DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED STOCK AND DEPOSITARY SHARES

General

Under our Articles of Incorporation, as amended, the Board of Directors is authorized without further shareholder action to provide for the issuance of up to 50,000,000 shares of preferred stock, in one or more series, with such voting powers, full or limited, and with such designations, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights, and qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, as shall be set forth in resolutions providing for the issue of preferred stock adopted by the Board of Directors. At June 30, 2006, we had outstanding 1,723,236 shares of preferred stock and had reserved for issuance an additional 13,000 shares of preferred stock.

Prior to issuance, the Board of Directors will have adopted resolutions creating the 7.25% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series K (the Preferred Stock). When issued, the Preferred Stock will have a liquidation value of \$25,000 per share, will be fully paid and nonassessable, will not be subject to any sinking fund or other obligation of the Company to repurchase or retire the Preferred Stock, and will have no preemptive rights.

Computershare Trust Company, N. A. will be the transfer agent and dividend disbursing agent for the Preferred Stock.

Each depositary share represents 1/1,000 of a share of Preferred Stock (the Depositary Shares). The shares of the Preferred Stock will be deposited with Computershare Trust Company, N. A., as Depositary (the Preferred Stock Depositary), under a Deposit Agreement among the Company, the Preferred Stock Depositary and the holders from time to time of the depositary receipts (the Depositary Receipts) issued by the Preferred Stock Depositary under the Deposit Agreement. The Depositary Receipts will evidence the Depositary Shares. Subject to the terms of the Deposit Agreement, each holder of a Depositary Receipt evidencing a Depositary Share will be entitled, proportionately, to all the rights and preferences of, and subject to all of the limitations of, the interest in the Preferred Stock represented by the Depositary Share (including dividend, voting, redemption and liquidation rights and preferences). See Description of the Depositary Shares in the accompanying Prospectus and Depositary Shares below.

Immediately following our issuance of the Preferred Stock, we will deposit the Preferred Stock with the Preferred Stock Depositary, which will then issue and deliver the Depositary Receipts to us. We will, in turn, deliver the Depositary Receipts to the underwriters. Depositary Receipts will be issued evidencing only whole Depositary Shares.

We intend to apply to have the Depositary Shares listed on the NYSE. The Preferred Stock will not be listed and we do not expect that there will be any trading market for the Preferred Stock except as represented by the Depositary Shares.

Ownership Restrictions

For a discussion of ownership limitations that apply to the Preferred Stock and related Depositary Shares, see Description of Common Stock Ownership Limitations in the accompanying Prospectus.

Preferred Stock

The following is a brief description of the terms of the Preferred Stock which does not purport to be complete and is subject to and qualified in its entirety by reference to the Certificate of Determination of the Preferred Stock, the form of which is filed as an exhibit to, or incorporated by reference in, the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus Supplement constitutes a part.

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Ranking

With respect to the payment of dividends and amounts upon liquidation, the Preferred Stock will rank pari passu with our 8.000% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series R, 7.875% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series S, 7.625% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series T, 7.625% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series U, 7.500% Cumulative Preferred Stock Series V, 6.500% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series W, 6.450% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series X, 6.850% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series Y, 6.250% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series Z, 6.125% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A, 7.125% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series B, 6.60% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series C, 6.18% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series D, 6.75% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series E, 6.45% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series F, 7.00% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series G, 6.95% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series H, 7.25% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series I (collectively, together with the Preferred Stock, the Senior Preferred Stock) and any other shares of preferred stock issued by us, whether now or hereafter issued, ranking pari passu with the Senior Preferred Stock (including shares of preferred stock issued upon conversion of the 6.4% Series NN and 7.25% Series J Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Units of one of our operating partnerships), and will rank senior to the Common Stock and any other capital stock of the Company ranking junior to the Preferred Stock.

Dividends

Holders of shares of Preferred Stock, in preference to the holders of shares of the Common Stock, and of any other capital stock issued by us ranking junior to the Preferred Stock as to payment of dividends, will be entitled to receive, when and as declared by the Board of Directors out of assets of the Company legally available for payment, cash dividends payable quarterly at the rate of 7.25% of the liquidation preference per year (\$1,812.50 per year per share, equivalent to \$1.8125 per year per Depositary Share). Dividends on the shares of Preferred Stock will be cumulative from the date of issue and will be payable quarterly on or before March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31, commencing September 30, 2006, to holders of record as they appear on the stock register of the Company on such record dates, not less than 15 or more than 45 days preceding the payment dates thereof, as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors. If the last day of a quarter falls on a non-business day, we may pay dividends for that quarter on the first business day following the end of the quarter. After full dividends on the Preferred Stock have been paid or declared and funds set aside for payment for all past dividend periods and for the then current quarter, the holders of shares of Preferred Stock will not be entitled to any further dividends with respect to that quarter.

When dividends are not paid in full upon the Preferred Stock and any other shares of preferred stock of the Company ranking on a parity as to dividends with the Preferred Stock (including the other series of Senior Preferred Stock), all dividends declared upon the Preferred Stock and any other preferred shares of the Company ranking on a parity as to dividends with the Preferred Stock shall be declared pro rata so that the amount of dividends declared per share on such Preferred Stock and such other shares shall in all cases bear to each other the same ratio that the accrued dividends per share on the Preferred Stock and such other preferred shares bear to each other. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, unless full dividends on the Preferred Stock have been paid for all past dividend periods, no dividends (other than in Common Stock or other shares of capital stock issued by us ranking junior to the Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation) shall be declared or paid or set aside for payment, nor shall any other distribution be made on the Common Stock or on any other shares of capital stock issued by us ranking junior to or on a parity with the Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation.

Unless full dividends on the Preferred Stock have been paid for all past dividend periods, we and our subsidiaries may not redeem, repurchase or otherwise acquire for any consideration (nor may we or they pay or make available any moneys for a sinking fund for the redemption of) any shares of Common Stock or any other shares of capital stock issued by us ranking junior to or on a parity with the Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation except by conversion into or exchange for shares of capital stock issued by us ranking junior to the Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation.

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If for any taxable year, we elect to designate as capital gain dividends (as defined in the Internal Revenue Code) any portion of the dividends paid or made available for the year to the holders of all classes and series of our stock, then the portion of the dividends designated as capital gain dividends that will be allocable to the

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holders of Preferred Stock will be an amount equal to the total capital gain dividends multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which will be the total dividends paid or made available to the holders of Preferred Stock for the year, and the denominator of which will be the total dividends paid or made available to holders of all classes and series of our outstanding stock for that year.

Our revolving credit facility with a commercial bank restricts our ability to pay distributions in excess of 95% of our Funds from Operations for the prior four fiscal quarters. Funds from operations is defined in the loan agreement generally as net income before gain on sale of real estate, extraordinary loss on early retirement of debt and deductions for depreciation, amortization and non-cash charges. Our management believes that this restriction will not impede our ability to pay the dividends on the Preferred Stock in full.

Dividends paid by regular C corporations to persons or entities that are taxed as individuals now are generally taxed at the rate applicable to long-term capital gains, which is a maximum of 15%, subject to certain limitations. Because we are a REIT, however, our dividends, including dividends paid on the Preferred Stock, generally will continue to be taxed at regular ordinary income tax rates, except to the extent that the special rules relating to qualified dividend income and capital gains dividends paid by a REIT apply. See Additional Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations.

Conversion Rights

The Preferred Stock will not be convertible into shares of any other class or series of capital stock of the Company.

Liquidation Rights

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company, the holders of the Preferred Stock will be entitled to receive out of our assets available for distribution to stockholders, before any distribution of assets is made to holders of Common Stock or of any other shares of capital stock issued by us ranking as to such distribution junior to the Preferred Stock, liquidating distributions in the amount of \$25,000 per share (equivalent to \$25.00 per Depositary Share), plus all accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not earned or declared) for the then current, and all prior, dividend periods. If upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company, the amounts payable with respect to the Preferred Stock and any other shares of stock issued by us ranking as to any such distribution on a parity with the Preferred Stock (including other series of Senior Preferred Stock) are not paid in full, the holders of the Preferred Stock and of such other shares will share ratably in any such distribution of assets of the Company in proportion to the full respective preferential amounts to which they are entitled. After payment of the full amount of the liquidating distribution to which they are entitled, the holders of the Preferred Stock will not be entitled to any further participation in any distribution of assets by us.

For purposes of liquidation rights, a consolidation or merger of the Company with or into any other corporation or corporations or a sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company is not a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company.

Redemption

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Except in certain circumstances relating to our qualification as a REIT, we may not redeem the shares of Preferred Stock prior to August 8, 2011. On and after August 8, 2011, at any time or from time to time, we may redeem the shares of Preferred Stock in whole or in part at our option at a cash redemption price of \$25,000 per share of Preferred Stock (equivalent to \$25.00 per Depositary Share), plus all accrued and unpaid dividends to the date of redemption. If fewer than all the outstanding shares of Preferred Stock are to be redeemed, the shares to be redeemed will be determined by the Board of Directors of the Company, and such shares shall be redeemed pro rata from the holders of record of such shares in proportion to the number of such shares held by such holders (with adjustments to avoid redemption of fractional shares) or by lot in a manner determined by the Board of Directors of the Company.

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Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any dividends, including any accumulation, on the Preferred Stock are in arrears, we may not redeem any Preferred Stock unless we redeem simultaneously all outstanding Preferred Stock, and we may not purchase or otherwise acquire, directly or indirectly, any Preferred Stock; provided, however, that this shall not prevent the purchase or acquisition of the Preferred Stock pursuant to a purchase or exchange offer if such offer is made on the same terms to all holders of the Preferred Stock.

Notice of redemption of the Preferred Stock will be given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Los Angeles and the City of New York, such publication to be made once a week for two successive weeks commencing not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date. A similar notice will be mailed by us, postage prepaid, not less than 30 or more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, addressed to the respective holders of record of shares of Preferred Stock to be redeemed at their respective addresses as they appear on the stock transfer records of the Company. Each notice shall state: (1) the redemption date; (2) the number of shares of Preferred Stock to be redeemed; (3) the redemption price per share of Preferred Stock; (4) the place or places where certificates for the Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment of the redemption price; and (5) that dividends on the shares of Preferred Stock to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such redemption date. If fewer than all the shares of Preferred Stock held by any holder are to be redeemed, the notice mailed to such holder shall also specify the number of shares of Preferred Stock to be redeemed from such holder. In order to facilitate the redemption of shares of Preferred Stock, the Board of Directors may fix a record date for the determination of shares of Preferred Stock to be redeemed, such record date to be not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for such redemption.

Notice having been given as provided above, from and after the date specified therein as the date of redemption, unless we default in providing funds for the payment of the redemption price on such date, all dividends on the Preferred Stock called for redemption will cease. From and after the redemption date, unless we so default, all rights of the holders of the Preferred Stock as stockholders of the Company, except the right to receive the redemption price (but without interest), will cease. Upon surrender in accordance with such notice of the certificates representing any such shares (properly endorsed or assigned for transfer, if the Board of Directors of the Company shall so require and the notice shall so state), the redemption price set forth above shall be paid out of the funds provided by the Company. If fewer than all the shares represented by any such certificate are redeemed, a new certificate shall be issued representing the unredeemed shares without cost to the holder thereof.

Subject to applicable law and the limitation on purchases when dividends on the Preferred Stock are in arrears, we may, at any time and from time to time, purchase any shares of Preferred Stock in the open market, by tender or by private agreement.

Voting Rights

Except as indicated below, or except as expressly required by applicable law, holders of the Preferred Stock will not be entitled to vote.

If the equivalent of six quarterly dividends payable on the Preferred Stock or any other series of preferred stock are in default (whether or not declared or consecutive), holders of the Preferred Stock (voting as a class with all other series of Senior Preferred Stock) will be entitled to elect two additional directors until all dividends in default have been paid or declared and set apart for payment.

Such right to vote separately to elect directors shall, when vested, be subject, always, to the same provisions for vesting of such right to elect directors separately in the case of future dividend defaults. At any time when such right to elect directors separately shall have so vested, we may, and upon the written request of the holders of record of not less than 20% of the total number of preferred shares of the Company then outstanding shall, call a special meeting of shareholders for the election of directors. In the case of such a written request, such special meeting shall be held within 90 days after the delivery of such request and, in either case, at the place and upon the notice provided by law and in our Bylaws, provided that we shall not be required to call such a special

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meeting if such request is received less than 120 days before the date fixed for the next ensuing annual meeting of shareholders, and the holders of all classes of outstanding preferred stock are offered the opportunity to elect such directors (or fill any vacancy) at such annual meeting of shareholders. Directors so elected shall serve until the next annual meeting of our shareholders or until their respective successors are elected and qualify. If, prior to the end of the term of any director so elected, a vacancy in the office of such director shall occur, during the continuance of a default in dividends on preferred shares of the Company, by reason of death, resignation, or disability, such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term of such former director by the appointment of a new director by the remaining director or directors so elected.

The affirmative vote or consent of the holders of at least 66²/₃% of the outstanding shares of the Preferred Stock and any other series of preferred stock ranking on a parity with the Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation (which includes the other series of Senior Preferred Stock), voting as a single class, will be required to authorize another class of shares senior to the Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends or the distribution of assets on liquidation. The affirmative vote or consent of the holders of at least 66²